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TITLE:	STEEL FOR THE PRODUCTION OF HIGH-STRENGTH COMPONENTS WITH EXCELLENT LOW-TEMPERATURE TOUGHNESS AND USES OF A STEEL OF THIS TYPE		

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**AMENDMENT & RESPONSE**

This paper is in response to the Office Action mailed from the Patent Office on October 15, 2008, for which the shortened statutory period was set to expire on January 15, 2009. Applicant hereby requests and encloses a petition for a three-month extension of time to extend the deadline for response to April 15, 2009. Applicant authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fee occasioned by the entry of this paper to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-3081. Applicant respectfully requests entry of this Amendment and Response, in which:

- **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 2;
- **Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3; and
- **Remarks** begin on page 7.

In addition, Applicant requests that the Specification and Abstract be amended as shown in the enclosed marked-up Substitute Specification and clean Substitute Specification in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.121(b)(3) and 1.125. No new matter has been introduced in any of these amendments.

- **Substitute Specification (CLEAN VERSION)**
- **Substitute Specification (MARKED-UP VERSION)**